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*Carly*  
General Maxwell D. Taylor, USA  
Chief of Staff, United States Army  
The Pentagon  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Max:

Thank you very much for your letter of 6 May inviting me to attend the series of missile demonstrations being planned by the Army at Fort Bliss and the White Sands Missile Range on 30 June and 1 July.

I have been attempting to fit this into my schedule as I would very much like to be present to witness what I am sure will be a most interesting demonstration. Unfortunately, however, I just cannot get away at that particular time due to previous commitments.

I understand that both Bob Avery, my Deputy for Intelligence, and [redacted], my assistant for OCB matters, have also been invited and are looking forward to being among those present.

Faithfully,

*STEVEN*  
Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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UNITED STATES ARMY  
THE CHIEF OF STAFF

6 May 1958

Dear Allen:

To acquaint key members of the executive branch of the Government, Joint Staff agencies, and certain prominent members of the public with the characteristics and capabilities of the Army's missiles, the Army is planning a series of missile demonstrations at Fort Bliss and the White Sands Missile Range on 30 June and 1 July. I would particularly like to have you with us on this occasion as our guest. *Wm. D. Taylor.*

To make the event as productive as possible for those present, we plan to demonstrate a number of the Army's family of missiles, including the DART, LITTLE JOHN, HONEST JOHN, CORPORAL, LACROSSE, NIKE AJAX, NIKE HERCULES, HAWK, and the Land-Based TALOS. By this means, we hope to give our guests an appreciation of the Army's current capability in the surface-to-air and surface-to-surface missile fields.

While it is warm in the El Paso area during this time of the year, we hope to compensate for the weather by making all events informal insofar as clothing is concerned. Guests will be urged to wear sports clothes or military field uniforms, and our evening functions will also be informal. You will, of course, be provided with quarters at Fort Bliss, as well as air transportation if you so desire.

I believe that you will find this event both interesting and informative, and I sincerely hope that you can arrange to be with us. You may be certain of a warm welcome by all concerned.

Looking forward to your acceptance and with warm regards,

Sincerely,



MAXWELL D. TAYLOR  
General, United States Army  
Chief of Staff

Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
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